



Corrected/Approved June 9, 2007

February 17, 2007  
Meeting Minutes

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) February 17, 2007 meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by President Patrick Shea, N8MIN, at the Steak House, I-79, Exit 99, Weston, WV.

**Minutes:** Secretary, Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY, distributed copies of the October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006 meeting minutes which were reviewed and accepted as presented.

**Treasury Report:** Treasurer, Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD, reports no expenditures, and additional contributions were received for the Oliver Rinehart, WD8V, Memorial Fund. Prior to his passing, Oliver had asked that in lieu of flowers when he became a SK, contributions be sent to support the WVSARC. Dirk reported \$470.00 received for WD8V Memorial Fund.

#### OLD BUSINESS

**Amateur of the Year (AOY):** Ann, KA8ZGY, presented hard copy of the AOY document with the proposed additional statement of "In the event that a voting member be nominated, they would not receive a ballot". It was moved by Jack, K8WMX, seconded by Rich, K8VE, and approved. It was noted the new Vice President will need to coordinate the 2006 AOY activity.

**Tickets:** Discussion of this being the year to purchase tickets. Suggestion to look to the internet for less costly tickets, and will hold purchase discussion until next meeting to finalize.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Speaker:** Rich, K8VE, has contacted Gordon West, WB6NOA, who is willing to attend and would be reimbursed for expenses which would be coach air fare to Pittsburgh, pick up at airport, and room/board at the Mill. Discussion indicating this is reasonable. Rich, will continue to research speakers, possibly Chip Marzelli, Marguiles, Heil VP Amateur Sales, and report other findings at the next meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**Silent Keys:** A Moment of Silence was held for Vivian Kibler, WA8OKG, and Oliver Rinehart, WD8V. Vivian has held offices in the WVSARC, was involved with Women and Children events and enjoyed all Convention activities. Oliver enjoyed coming to the Mill and the auctions, held offices in the WVSARC, involved in Talk In Station, was elected as 1991 WV AOY and ARRL Section Manager from 1994-2001. It was moved by Dan, K8WV, seconded by Jack, K8WMX and approved to set aside the WD8V Memorial Fund for the 50<sup>th</sup> Convention Anniversary.

**WVSARC Webmaster:** It was brought to the attention of the group that our Webmaster, Jerry Stackpole, KI8EV, has been doing an excellent job of maintaining the site for several years, and that the Council should be thanking him for all the hard work. Discussion of what would be an appropriate gift, and it was moved by Dan, K8WV, seconded by Rick, K8VE, and approved to expend up to \$200.00 monetary gift as a "thank you" for work well done.

**Convention Guest Speaker:** Rich, K8VE, suggests we ask someone from the Power Company to speak on Electrical Safety. Patrick, N8MIN, will check to see if Rick Robinson is available and report back at the next meeting.

**DX Program:** Discussion with suggestion of Clark Stewart, W8TN, as speaker. ~~Rich, K8VE~~ **Dan, K8WV**, will contact Clark.

**ARRL Technical Program:** Discussion with request for Ed Hare, W1RFI, to be ARRL HQ Representative and to give a Technical Program. Ann, KA8ZGY, WV Section Manager will contact ARRL.

**Special Event Station:** Dick Wilt, K8TPH, presented a request (letter attached) for the Stonewall Jackson Amateur Radio Club to hold a Special Event Station at the WV ARRL Convention on August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The SJARA will need a flat area to erect a tower/antenna, electrical power, use of WVSARC Call and QSL cards. Discussion with approval for Special Event Station, and suggestion of area next to WV Building for the tower.

**WVSARC W8WVA Trustee:** Ann, KA8ZGY, presented the need to change Trustee for the WVSARC Call as Oliver, WD8V, is a SK. Discussion with motion by Rich, K8VE, seconded by Jack, K8WMX and approved for Dan, K8WV, to accept the position as Trustee for W8WVA call.

**Vice President Office:** Ann, KA8ZGY, presented the need to fill the office of Vice President as Oliver, WD8V, is a SK. By executive appointment, Joe ~~Ratcliff~~ **Radcliff**, WD8EOG, will fill the Vice President office for the remainder of this term.

**SERA:** It was announced the Richard Dillon, K8VE, has accepted the positions as SERA Vice Director and Frequency Coordinator for West Virginia. (February 2007 SERA Repeater Journal).

**Major Prizes:** Discussion with recommendation Rich, K8VE, selects and purchases the major prizes with the \$1,200.00 is budgeted.

**Hourly Prizes:** Discussion with recommendation Joe, WD8EOG, purchases the hourly prizes with the \$100.00 is budgeted.

**Booster Page:** Discussion of need to involve the WV Clubs by soliciting donations to show support for the WVSARC and WV ARRL State Convention. Ann, KA8ZGY, will send letter with donation form and SASE to the WV Clubs for solicitation of Booster Page Donations.

**501(c)3:** Dan, K8WV, presented the possibility of becoming a 501(c)3 and will research.

**Special Training Fund:** Discussion that the fund was intended to assist with payment of EmComm Training. Suggestion to advertise EmComm Training by reservation only at the WV ARRL Convention and more clarification at the next meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

(Attendance 10) N8MIN, K8TPH, K8WV, WV3WLC, K8VE, K8WMX, W8GAK, WD8PAD, N8SWL, KA8ZGY.

**L. Ann Rinehart**, KA8ZGY  
WVSARC Secretary

**NEXT WVSARC MEETING: TBA**